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Amendment

In the Claims:

Please substitute the following claim 3 for the pending claim 3:

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3. (Once Amended) A compound of claim 2, wherein R₁₀ is selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₂₋₆ alkenyl, OR₁₀, amino, C₁₋₆ alkylamino, di(C₁₋₆)alkylamino, C₂₋₆ alkenylamino, and di(C₁₋₆)alkylamino(C₂₋₆)alkenyl.

Please substitute the following claim 15 for the pending claim 15:

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15. (Three Times Amended) A compound of claim 1, wherein:

R₁ is C(O)R₁₀, CH₂C(O)R₁₀, or SO₂R₁₀;

X is O or S;

R₁₀ is amino, optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl, or a heterocycle;

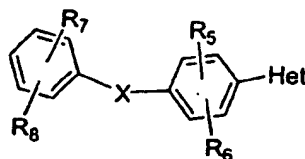
R₂, and R₃ are independently hydrogen, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkylthio or C₁₋₆ alkylsulfinyl,

R₅ and R₆ are as defined in claim 1, and

R₇ and R₈ are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, halo(C₁₋₆)alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkyl, hydroxy(C₁₋₆)alkyl, amino(C₁₋₆)alkyl, carboxy(C₁₋₆)alkyl, alkoxy(C₁₋₆)alkyl, nitro, amino, C₁₋₆ acylamino, amide, hydroxy, thiol, C₁₋₆ acyloxy, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, carboxy, carbonylamido and C₁₋₆ alkylthiol.

Please substitute the following claim 16 for the pending claim 16:

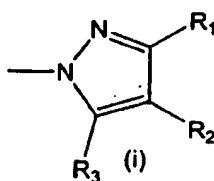
16. (Three Times Amended) A compound of Formula I:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug or solvate thereof, wherein

X is O or S;

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R₁ is C(O)R₁₀, CH₂C(O)R₁₀, or SO₂R₁₀ wherein R₁₀ is amino, all of which are optionally substituted;

R₂ and R₃ are independently hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkylthio or C₁-C₆ alkylsulfinyl; and

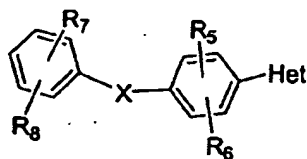
R₅, R₆, R₇ and R₈ are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, halo(C₁-C₆)alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkyl, hydroxy(C₁-C₆)alkyl, amino(C₁-C₆)alkyl, carboxy(C₁-C₆)alkyl, alkoxy(C₁-C₆)alkyl, nitro, amino, C₁-C₆ acylamino, amide, hydroxy, thiol, C₁-C₆ acyloxy, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, carboxy, carbonylamido and C₁-C₆ alkylthiol.

Please substitute the following claim 17 for the pending claim 17:

17. (Once Amended) A pharmaceutical composition, comprising the compound of any one of claims 1, 16, 22, or 25 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Please substitute the following claim 22 for the pending claim 22:

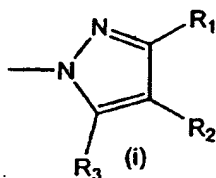
22. (Three Times Amended) A compound of Formula I:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug or solvate thereof, wherein

X is O or S;

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R₁ is C(O)R₁₀, wherein R₁₀ is amino, all of which are optionally substituted;

R₂ and R₃ are independently hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkylthio or C₁-C₆ alkylsulfinyl; and

R₅, R₆, R₇ and R₈ are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, halo(C₁-C₆)alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkyl, hydroxy(C₁-C₆)alkyl, amino(C₁-C₆)alkyl, carboxy(C₁-C₆)alkyl, alkoxy(C₁-C₆)alkyl, nitro, amino, C₁-C₆ acylamino, amide, hydroxy, thiol, C₁-C₆ acyloxy, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, carboxy, carbonylamido and C₁-C₆ alkylthiol.

Please add the following new claims 28-31:

28. (New) A method of treating a disorder responsive to the blockade of sodium channels in a mammal suffering therefrom, comprising administering to a mammal in need of such treatment an effective amount of the compound as claimed in any one of claims 1, 16, 22, or 25.

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29. (New) A method for treating or ameliorating neuronal loss following global and focal ischemia; treating or ameliorating neurodegenerative conditions; treating or ameliorating pain or tinnitus; treating or ameliorating manic depression; providing local anesthesia; treating arrhythmias, or treating convulsions, comprising administering to a mammal in need of such treatment an effective amount of the compound as claimed in any one of claims 1, 16, 22, or 25.

30. (New) The method of claim 29, wherein the method is for treating or ameliorating pain and said pain is one of neuropathic pain, surgical pain or chronic pain.

31. (New) A method of alleviating seizure activity in an animal subject, comprising administering to a mammal in need of such treatment an effective amount of a compound of any one of claims 1, 16, 22, or 25.
